## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: Date: March 21, 2005 Leopold Werner Kepplinger, et a Group Art Unit: 1742 Serial No.: 10/813,140 Examiner: Melvyn J. Andrews Filed: March 29, 2004 METHOD FOR REDUCING TICULATE MATERIAL CONTAINING A For: METAL, ESPECIALLY IRON ORE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 PETITION AND FEE FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.17, 1.136(a) AND 35 USC 41(a)8 Sir: Applicants hereby petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a response to the outstanding Office Action by ONE (1) month. Enclosed is our check No. which includes the amount of \$120 for the petition fee in accordance with 37 CFR 1.17 computed as: Response within first month not small entity (\$120) small entity (\$60) You are authorized to charge to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700 any additional amounts owing. If this petition is inadequate to avoid abandonment, the Assistant Commissioner for Patents is petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), to extend the time by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. §1.135. The fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 should be charged to our Deposit Account No. 15-0700. I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on March 21, 2005: Respectfully submitted, Klaus P. Stoffel Klaus P. Stoffel Name of applicant, assignee or Registration No.: 31,668 Registered Representative OSTROLENK, FABER, GERB & SOFFEN, LLP 1180 Avenue of the Americas Signature New York, New York 10036-8403 March 21, 2005

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